

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF THE METRO EAST
SANITARY DISTRICT, ST. CLAIR AND
MADISON COUNTIES, ILLINOIS HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2015 AT 1800 EDISON
AVENUE, GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS AT 9:00
A.M.**

President Economy called the meeting to order and the Clerk recorded the attendance.

The following was the attendance:

Present: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub, McCall and Darwin.
Absent: None.

Also, attending the meeting were Executive Director Bob Shipley, Attorney George Filcoff, Director of Operations Walter Greathouse and Treasurer Ken Davis.

REPORT OF ENGINEER: None.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Executive Director Shipley presented a report:

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Executive Director Shipley, "I have included with my report a pump station status update prepared by Scott Hillman."

President Economy, "How are the pumps doing with the high river and heavy rains?"

Executive Director Shipley, "As you can see from the report, we are experiencing some problems at the pump stations."

Mr. Greathouse, "The heavy rains and high river put a lot of stress on the pumps. Also, the power keeps going out at the pump stations. The pump operators are being called into work to make the necessary repairs and to reset the pumps. They are being paid overtime. However, it is money well spent as the pump operators are doing a great job and getting things done correctly."

Attorney Filcoff, "Why are we having the power outages?"

Mr. Greathouse, "We do not know. Ameren is trying to fix the problem. However, with a heavy rain, the ditches start filling up and then it becomes a problem for us."

Mr. Davis, "Marvin Owca with Nameoki Township said he spoke to Walter Greathouse about the missing flap gate at Horseshoe Lake Road and Cahokia Creek."

Mr. Greathouse, "Yes, I spoke with him. It is going to be expensive; you cannot just install a new flap gate. They will need to dig back, cut out the pipe and put on a new piece."

Mr. Davis, "Mr. Owca said that MESD will help with the installation of the new flap gate."

Mr. Greathouse, "Yes, we have offered to help Nameoki Township."

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Commissioner Hanfelder, “The Nameoki Township Road Commissioner said that it is not the responsibility of Nameoki Township. He believes Pontoon Beach is responsible for the replacement of the flap gate.”

Mr. Greathouse, “The Road Commissioner said that since Pontoon Beach annexed the ditch, that the missing flap gate is now their responsibility.”

President Economy, “Did you meet with the engineer to discuss Rock Spring Road Bridge?”

Mr. Greathouse, “Yes, the District is Advertising for Bids for the removal and replacement of Rock Spring Road Bridge. Hurst-Rosche Engineers, Inc. prepared the documents.”

Executive Director Shipley, “The property owner told MESD staff that he is interested in selling the property.”

President Economy, “Is Attorney Calvo still pursuing eminent domain?”

Executive Director Shipley, “No, Attorney Filcoff does not recommend going through the eminent domain process.”

Attorney Filcoff, “The District may not win an eminent domain suit.”

President Economy, “Is there a sewer break in Washington Park?”

Mr. Greathouse, “Yes, the District’s twenty-one inch line almost completely collapsed. It is a very large break about fifty to sixty-five feet long.

We rented a pump and hose to bypass the break. The sewage is now flowing into a manhole on Forest Park Boulevard.”

REPORT OF LANSDOWNE OFFICE MANAGER: None.

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MINUTES:

The minutes for the June 17, 2015 meeting were presented for approval.

Motion Commissioner McCall; seconded Commissioner Hanfelder to dispense with the reading of the minutes, approve them as submitted and place them on file.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub, McCall and Darwin.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

GENERAL FUND CLAIMS & SPECIFIC CLAIMS:

The General Fund Claims and Specific Claims were submitted for approval:

Motion Commissioner McCall; seconded Commissioner Darwin to approve the General Fund Claims and Specific Claims as submitted and order them paid.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub, McCall and Darwin.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

LANSDOWNE CLAIMS & SPECIFIC CLAIMS:

The Lansdowne Claims and Specific Claims were submitted for approval:

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Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner Hanfelder to approve the Lansdowne Treatment Plant Claims and Specific Claims as submitted and order them paid.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub, McCall and Darwin.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

LANSDOWNE REPORT:

The Lansdowne Adjustment Reports were presented for approval:

Motion Commissioner Hanfelder; seconded Commissioner McCall to approve the Lansdowne Adjustment Reports as submitted.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub, McCall and Darwin.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

PAYROLL:

The Payroll for the period of June 7, 2015 through June 20, 2015 was submitted for approval.

Motion Commissioner Laub; seconded Commissioner Darwin to approve the Payroll as submitted.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub, McCall and Darwin.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

REPORT OF ATTORNEYS:

Attorney Filcoff reported:

1. Mike Codd from Phillips 66 would like to attend the next meeting to discuss the rates outlined in MESD Ordinance No. 2013-0-007.

Phillips 66 wants to install three pipelines through MESD property.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

There being no further business, Motion Commissioner Hanfelder; seconded Commissioner Laub to adjourn.

Upon roll call, the motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Economy, Hanfelder, Laub, McCall and Darwin.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

So adjourned at 9:10 A.M.

Clerk